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for motor vehicles traveling over roads and my answer was yes. They do have that power now and that's what I understood his question was. If that wasn't his question, then I don't know what his question was and I still don't know. It seems to me that if this Legislature wishes to try to help the people in the state of Nebraska, not only the farmers but others who are hauling grain from storage to market or from storage to storage or from the field to storage or to market and since the trucks are built today to haul bigger loads and since many of our highways are built today to haul bigger loads, we should make use of our technological improvements and do this. Now, if we wish to put in here a specific reference to hauling of grain or sugar beets or other commodities, that they should not be more than a certain percentage increase, in the present law, that suits me, but I feel that this could be done on Select File.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Simpson, then Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I agree that trucks are getting bigger and they could haul bigger loads but the roads we have improved the greatest are the ones that would still not be able to travel on, the interstate system, irregardless of what we do here. So we're talking about the wrong roads. I am going to ask unanimous consent that this bill be bracketed on General File until Senator Whitney brings in an amendment for a percentage that it allows in overloading in these special occasions.

SPEAKER: You've all heard Senator Simpson's motion for unanimous consent to bracket the bill on General File. Are there objections to his motion? Senator Whitney, do you object? Yes sir, now.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I am not objecting but I'd like to clarify something he said. The purpose--part of the purpose of this bill would be to make possible if restrictions are lifted on the interstate, we'd be already to go.

SPEAKER: Are there objections to Senator Simpson's motion to bracket the bill on General File. Senator Cavanaugh, do you object? There are none, so ordered. The bill is bracketed. We will move on to the General File consideration of LB 188. I believe that is Senator Kremer's bill. Senator Nore, would you turn off your little light, please. Senator Carpenter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CARPENTER: To suggest to Senator Whitney, a procedure. That when he brings the amendments in, he also brings in an A bill to see what this is going to cost.

SPEAKER: LB 188.

CLERK: Read title. LB 188. There is a committee amendment, Mr. President, by Senator Kremer's Public Works Committee.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of the amendment. All the amendment does is strikes the word "biennium". Now the funds can be appropriated on an annual bases because annual (inaudible) and strikes the word "biennium". So, I move the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the committee amendments. All those in favor of adopting the amendments say aye, those opposed say no. So ordered, the committee amendments are adopted.

SENATOR KREMER: Now, Mr. Chairman, I move that LB 188 be advanced to E & R Initial. What the bill does is merely